South Loop Dog PAC

Board Meeting Minutes

October 7, 2010

Meeting held @ 61 W. 15th St., #901

7:00 pm

Present: Doug Freymann, Stephanie Daugherty, Juli Valdez (phone); *Absent*: Wendy Ito, Lynda Young. Also *present*: member Pamela Focia.

1. ADMINISTRATIVE & MISCELLANEOUS

o Approval of the September 13th meeting minutes distributed on 9.29.10 – passed 3:0

2. FALL CLEANUP

- Planning for the Coliseum Park DFA cleanup on Saturday 10.9.10 was briefly discussed.
 Plans include power washing, repairing the fencing, installing gravel/trash screening, and installing barriers at the two gates to reduce the open gaps.
- o Motion to approve expenses of \$200 for supplies to repair the fencing and install gravel screening along the alley side of the park, approved 3:0.
- Pam will purchase needed materials at Home Depot prior to the cleanup on Saturday.
 Soggy Paws has once again agreed to pay for the cost of coffee and breakfast foods for the event.

3. FORMS REVISIONS

- The revision of the business card distributed by Doug on 10.7.10 was briefly discussed.
 Stephanie & Pam suggested improvements that will be incorporated into a second draft for review.
- o The 'Where are the Parks' postcards have been printed and were reviewed. They are good.

4. PARK BANNERS & SIGNAGE / COLUMBIA COLLEGE INTERNSHIP PROGRAM

- Stephanie has signed up the SLDogPAC to participate in the Columbia College internship program. A first project 'Park Banners' has been submitted and approved, and will be available to students applying online on Monday October 11th.
- o Doug and Stephanie will monitor the program and prepare proposals for additional projects in the future (e.g. screen graphics; signage) if this approach appears to be a good one.

5. FINANCIALS

 The transition following the resignation of the previous Treasurer and the process of updating accounting information is still in progress. All accounts have been reconciled and are up to date.

- o It was noted that encumbrances for bricks ordered are not yet properly handled, and that the structure of the QuickBooks accounts had not yet been aligned with the budget structure adopted last year.
- Doug presented a brief summary of the SLDogPAC financials. As of 10.7.10, 2010 revenues total \$3007.76 (primarily from memberships). Expenses total \$4486.85 (with about half being the costs of outreach programs). Assets as of October total \$11,137.31.

6. BOARD MEMBER RECRUITMENT

- o Motion to appoint Pamela Focia to the Board of the SLDogPAC passed 3:0.
- o It was suggested that in order to maintain the continuity and function of the SLDogPAC board that members who anticipate that they will not be available for a substantial period of time should be asked to avail themselves of the 'leave of absence' mechanism provided by the ByLaws. This is important so that quorum requirements can be met by those members who are available to contribute to planning and decisions.

7. Bricks

 The six brick orders purchased over the last year have been submitted to Midwest Engraving. Anticipated installation will be mid-November.

8. AGENDA ITEMS TABLED (TO BE ADDRESSED AT FUTURE MEETINGS)

- South Loop Animal Hospital Event participation
- o Pre-planning for Grant Bark Park cleanup in November
- Board tasks and roles
- o Membership drive status / Next steps
- o Membership Party planning
- o Business Outreach program
- o 16th & Wabash DFA issues
- What is to be done / Philosophy &/or goals for the next year

9. NEXT MEETING

 A second October meeting is scheduled for Thursday October 21st, 7 PM; location to be determined.

Doug Freymann, Secretary 10.9.10 draft